

City of Federal Way Volunteer Opportunities

Inclusion Programs

Contact Kevin Hutchinson, 253.835.6927

The City of Federal Way's Inclusion Programs provide therapeutic (and fun!) recreation classes for our community's residents with disabilities. Volunteers assist staff with classes. No special skills needed (other than a big heart!).

Water Quality & Environment

Contact Katherine Straus, 253.835.2704

The Surface Water Management (SWM) Division's volunteers help monitor water quality in streams, plant native trees and shrubs, remove invasive plants from critical habitats, mark storm drains or pick up litter along our stream corridors.

Performing Arts & Event Center

Contact Roland Carette-Meyers, 253.835.7010

Volunteering at the Performing Arts and Event Center (PAEC) is fun, rewarding, and educational. You'll have the opportunity to see shows, experience behind-the-scenes, and make sure our guests experience the best time they have ever had! We have several opportunities available depending on your tastes – ushering, administrative, special events and outreach.

Federal Way Police Department

Various Opportunities

Lisa Sjoden, 253.835.6788

Federal Way Police Department has a very dynamic, active volunteer program that provides support services to many different areas within our agency. All Police volunteers must be 18 years of age and are required to pass a background, which includes a polygraph. Go to our web site (http://www.cityoffederalway.com/index.aspx?nid=148) for current listings of programs within our Department that are recruiting for new volunteers or call our Volunteer Coordinator, listed above.

Federal Way Community Groups Needing Volunteers

Catholic Community Services

Kizzie Funkhouser 253.850.2509

Volunteer Chore Services provides free chore assistance to low-income seniors and disabled adults, enabling them to remain living independently and safely in their homes. Volunteers can choose to assist a variety of tasks including housework, laundry, shopping, transportation, respite care, yard work and minor home repair. For additional information, please visit our website at www.ccsww.org/vcs or contact Kizzie.

Communities in Schools Federal Way

Jennifer Youngblood, 253.529.7440

CIS mentors provide a positive role model and consistent adult support for students who have been identified as being "on the brink of success." By having establishing a caring relationship with an adult, students are more able to stay on the path to success in both school and in life. Mentors meet one-to-one with a student at their school for about 45-60 minutes per week during the school year. Volunteers must be over the age of 18 and be able to commit to at least one year.

Federal Way Community Gardens Foundation

Mike Stanley, 253.279.6443

Our volunteers help tend organic produce in our beautiful potager-style gardens. Food grown and harvested at the gardens is distributed to folks in need in our community. Volunteers learn organic gardening skills and make friends while doing valuable community service. Contact Mike Stanley for more information or visit our website at www.federalwaycommunitygardens.org

Federal Way Community Suppers

Kari Martin, 206.432.2220

The Community Supper provides hot meals and some basic services to anyone who is in need Thursday evenings at Federal Way Calvary Lutheran Church. Volunteers are needed for post-meal clean up as part of a 5-6 person team. Duties include washing dishes, vacuuming, moving tables and chairs, and other similar tasks. We are looking for a commitment to volunteer regularly on one week a month. For more information please visit http://www.fwccn.org/services.html.

Federal Way Vet Center

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X3975 The Federal Way Vet Center has volunteer opportunities to answer phones and provide referral information to veterans needing veterans' resources.

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Kathy Ward, 253.952.0157 or 253.948.6615

Provides housing and support services to homeless families in our community so they have a safe, secure environment as they work toward self-sufficiency. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and maintain transitional housing units.

King County Boys & Girls Club

Mark Hendricks, 253.681.6501

The Boys & Girls Club provides critical after-school mentoring, homework assistance and positive activities for at-risk youth. You can change a student's life by volunteering!

Habitat Construction Volunteers Needed Margie Law, 206.292.5240, ext. 111

Habitat is looking for volunteers to help renovate houses for families in the Greater Westway neighborhood. They are recruiting Crew Leaders to work with small groups of people on the job site, and Volunteer Hosts who support volunteers on site.

Meals on Wheels

Melissa Pallanes, 206.448.5767

Help homebound seniors maintain their health and independence with nutritious food, personal contact, and caring service. Volunteers are needed on Mondays to call clients for their weekly meal order, do a freezer inventory, and various office tasks. Packers are needed on Wednesdays, 10am-12pm, to bag the meals. Back-up drivers are needed to deliver the meals Thursday mornings, when the regular driver is away, hours between 8-10am. Mileage is reimbursable. Volunteers need to be at least 18, have auto insurance, complete a volunteer application and background check, and be able to lift 15lbs. For more information email mealsonwheels@seniorservices.org.

Multi-Service Center

Terri Turner, 253.838.6810, ext. 163

Provides housing and emergency support services to our neighbors in need and helps them achieve self-sufficiency. There are many volunteer opportunities with the food and clothing banks, and ESL and GED tutoring.

Senior Services

Hilary Case, 206.748.7588

Join the Senior Services' Volunteer Transportation Program and help provide an essential service to elderly residents in our community. Using their own vehicles and a flexible schedule, volunteers drive seniors from their homes to medical appointments, opening access to healthcare and fostering meaningful connections with our seniors. Contact Hilary for more information, or visit www.seniorservices.org/transportation.